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400TH EXHIBIT

Events for the 400th Exhibit, a program focused on educating people about the history of slavery in the U.S., begins Tuesday.

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THE X-FACTOR

The Eastern men's soccer team lost 3-0 to Xavier Monday in its second match of the regular season.

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Shimkus says he won't seek re-election

Staff Report | @DEN_news

Congressman John Shimkus will not seek re-election in 2020, according to a press release.

Shimkus released the following statement:

"As Illinois candidates begin to circulate petitions next week, now is the time for me to announce that I will not be seeking re-election."

"It has been the honor of my lifetime to be asked by the people of Illinois to represent them in our nation's capitol. Each day I have tried to do this as best as I possibly could, and my success lies squarely at the feet of my incredible staff in Illinois and Washington, DC."

"I will leave the political field knowing that I have served honorably and, with the help of many, accomplished a lot for my constituents, our state, and our nation."

"Serving in Congress has been a blessing, but it has also been a sacrifice for my wife Karen, and our boys. Now young men, David, Joshua and Daniel continue to make me proud. I regret the times I have been away from the four of them and thank them for their constant love and support."

"My family and I thank you for allowing us the honor to serve. Our dedication to our country, our state, our church, and our community will not waiver as we embark on the next chapter of life. God bless you, and God bless America."

Shimkus has served as the representative for Illinois' 15th congressional district since 2013.

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Faculty Senate to gather on Tuesday

Staff Report | @DEN_news

The Faculty Senate is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. in Room 4440 of Booth Library Tuesday afternoon.

No agenda had been posted as of 8 p.m. Monday evening, and the content of the meeting is unknown.

This is the second meeting of the year and second time the agenda has not been made available on the website the day before.

The senate recently elected a new recorder, Donald Holly, a professor of anthropology, so more regular postings of the agenda are expected to resume.

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CORRYN BROCK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

State Rep. Chris Miller talks to constituents at his fundraising event Monday afternoon. Miller said one of the hardest parts of being a representative is seeing legislation passed that does not coincide with his moral views. "When things get done that violate your conscience and when you're listening to some of the debates on the floor and you're sitting there thinking, 'Are we really having this conversation?'" Miller said.

Rep. Miller hosts fundraiser, Rep. Bailey, Rep. Halbbrook speak

By Corryn Brock and Hannah Shillo
News Editor and Associate News Editor | @DEN_News

State Rep. Chris Miller (R-Robinson) hosted a fundraiser called "Bluegrass and Burgers" Monday night, which featured speeches from

State Rep. Darren Bailey (R-Louisville) and State Rep. Brad Halbbrook (R-Shelbyville).

Approximately 100 people were in attendance for the fundraiser.

Norman Kernas, of Oakland, said he came out to support Miller because he has known him

for a long time.

"I've known Chris ever since he was in high school and I wanted to come out and support the local people," Kernas said. "He's a good person."

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City Council to vote on proclamations

By Corryn Brock
News Editor | @corryn_brock

The Charleston City Council will vote on two proclamations from the mayor and a raffle license.

The two proclamations will designate two weeks as Constitution Week and Fire Prevention Week in the city.

The week of Sept. 17-23, 2019 will be named as Constitution Week if it is approved because "it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion," according to the proclamation.

The week of Oct. 6-12, 2019 will be named as Fire Prevention Week if the proclamation is approved to "urge the people of Charleston to be aware of their surroundings, look for available ways out in the event of a fire or other emergency, respond when the smoke alarm sounds by exiting the building immediately, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Charleston's Fire and Emergency Services during Fire Prevention Week 2019," according to the proclamation.

The theme of Fire Prevention Week 2019 will be "Not every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice your Escape!" to remind citizens to take personal steps to ensure their safety during a fire.

A raffle license will be voted on for the Coles

County Council on Aging, Inc. to raise funds for operating expenses for the Dial-A-Ride Public Transportation Program.

Following the action items, time is reserved for members of the public to address the council. No action will be taken on matters not listed on the agenda, and the council is not required to take any further action or to discuss the matter further.

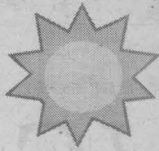
The council asks that those who choose to address the council speak into the microphone, limit the presentation to three minutes and avoid repetitive comments.

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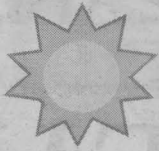
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Texas gunman was fired from job, called FBI before shooting

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — The gunman in a spate of violence after a routine traffic stop in West Texas had just been fired from his job and called both police and the FBI before the shooting began, authorities said Monday.

Odessa Police Chief Michael Gerke said 36-year-old Seth Aaron Ator had been fired Saturday from Journey Oilfield Services. He said both Ator and the company called 911 after the firing but that Ator was gone by the time police showed up. FBI special agent Christopher Combs says Ator's statements on the phone were "rambling."

Authorities said Ator killed seven people and injured at least 22 others Saturday before officers killed him outside a busy movie theater in Odessa.

Combs said Ator "was on a long spiral down" before the shooting and that he went to work that day "in trouble."

"This did not happen because he was fired. He showed up to work enraged," said FBI special agent Christopher Combs of the suspected shooter.

Combs said the place where Ator lived was "a strange residence" and that the condition reflected "what his mental state was going into this." He didn't elaborate.

Online court records show Ator was arrested in 2001 for a misdemeanor offense that would not have

prevented him from legally purchasing firearms in Texas, although authorities have not said where Ator got the "AR style" weapon he used.

Hundreds of West Texas residents attend a vigil for those killed in a mass shooting on Saturday. (Sept. 2)

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott tweeted Monday that "we must keep guns out of criminals' hands" — words similar to his remarks that followed another mass shooting in El Paso on Aug. 3, when he said firearms must be kept from "deranged killers." But Abbott, a Republican and avid gun rights supporter, has been noncommittal about tightening Texas gun laws.

He also tweeted that Ator failed a previous gun background check and didn't go through one for the weapon he used in Odessa. He did not elaborate, and a spokesman referred questions to the Texas Department of Public Safety, which didn't immediately respond for comment.

Authorities said those killed were between 15 and 57 years old but did not immediately provide a list of names. Family and employers, however, said that among the dead were Edwin Peregrino, 25, who ran out of his parents' home to see what the commotion was; mail carrier Mary Granados, 29, slain in her U.S. Postal Service truck; and 15-year-old high school student Leilah Hernandez, who was walking out of an auto dealership.

Advocates showcase hemp at farm show as multiuse crop

DECATUR, Ill. (AP) — The National Hemp Association showcased the versatility of hemp during the recent Farm Progress Show in central Illinois.

Representatives of the hemp association used the event that ran Tuesday through Thursday to demonstrate how hemp can be used in dietary supplements and body care products, but that it also has industrial applications, the Herald & Review in Decatur reported.

Industrial uses for hemp include tex-

tiles, automotive, aviation and energy storage, building materials and paper, Geoff Whaling, chairman of the association, said.

Hemp provides an excellent natural alternative to cotton, which is the most widely used raw material for textile production, Whaling said. The automotive and aviation industries can use hemp biocomposites in multiple applications such as door panels, window pillars, package trays, truck liners and luggage racks.

Dorian triggers massive flooding in Bahamas; at least 5 dead

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — Hurricane Dorian unleashed massive flooding across the Bahamas on Monday, pummeling the islands with so much wind and water that authorities urged people to find flotation devices and grab hammers to break out of their attics if necessary. At least five deaths were blamed on the storm.

"We are in the midst of a historic tragedy," Prime Minister Hubert Minnis said, calling the devastation "unprecedented and extensive."

The fearsome Category 4 storm slowed almost to a standstill as it shredded roofs, hurled cars and forced even rescue crews to take shelter until the onslaught passed.

Forecasters warned that Dorian could generate a storm surge as high as 23 feet (7 meters).

On nearby Abaco Island, Parliament member Darren Henfield said he received reports of deaths but of-

ficials had not been able to confirm them.

Meanwhile in the United States, the National Hurricane Center extended watches and warnings across the Florida and Georgia coasts. Forecasters expected Dorian to stay off shore, but meteorologist Daniel Brown cautioned that "only a small deviation" could draw the storm's dangerous core toward land.

By 5 p.m. EDT Monday, the storm's top sustained winds fell slightly to 145 mph (230 kph). It was crawling along Grand Bahama Island at 1 mph (2 kph) and then remained stationary.

On Sunday, Dorian churned over Abaco Island with battering winds and surf and heavy flooding.

Most people went to shelters as the storm neared. Tourist hotels shut down, and residents boarded up their homes. Many people were expected to be left homeless.

Illinois awards 1st licenses to sell recreational marijuana

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Illinois has awarded its first licenses to businesses that will be allowed to sell recreational marijuana when it becomes legal in the state next year.

The Chicago Sun-Times reports regulators announced Thursday the five medical marijuana dispensaries where residents will be able to buy small amounts of the drug starting Jan. 1.

Three locations are in Chicago's

suburbs: 3C Compassionate Care Centers in Joliet and Naperville and The Clinic Mundelein. The others are in central and southern Illinois: The Clinic Effingham and Saveo Health and Wellness in Canton.

The new law will allow Illinois residents to have up to 30 grams (1.05 ounces) of cannabis flower and up to 5 grams (0.17 ounces) of cannabis concentrate.

Illini running back has 3rd straight season-ending injury

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Illinois running back Mike Epstein has sustained a season-ending injury for the third straight year.

Coach Lovie Smith said Monday the junior hurt his knee in the third quarter of the opener against Akron.

Epstein has played 13 games over three

seasons and rushed for 802 yards and scored seven touchdowns.

Epstein started three of the first five games as a freshman in 2017 and was the team's leading rusher before he missed the last seven games with a stress fracture in his right foot. The same injury kept him out of the last five games in 2018.

TODAY ON CAMPUS

Booth Library Tours | 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM | Booth Library

Eastern students, faculty and staff members are encouraged to take a tour of Booth Library and find out what the library has to offer. Twenty-minute tours will be offered regularly during the first three weeks of the semester. No reservations necessary; simply come to the Research Help desk on the north end of the library to join a tour.

CGS Meeting | 2:00 PM | Blair Hall

All members of the Council on Graduate Studies will meet.

Kickoff of 400th Exhibit and The Race Card Project | 4:00 PM | 4440 Conference Room, Booth Library

Sponsored by Making Excellence Inclusive, the Office of Inclusion and Academic Engagement, and the Pine Honors College, the nationally acclaimed Race Card Project, which began in 2010, encourages people to condense their observations and experiences about race into one sentence with just six words. Patrons are encouraged to share their "six words" on provided comment cards and post them on the wall in the library's Marvin Foyer. The official kickoff will occur in conjunction with EIU's commemorations of the 400th, a series of events evaluating the impact of slavery in America.

By Zoë Donovan
Staff Reporter | @DEN_news

"The 400th is not about focusing on

"The 400th is not about focusing on what happened 400 years ago; it's about the entire 400 years of the legacy of what would become slavery and race relations in the U.S. We're using this moment as an opportunity to talk and think about issues of race and racism in our own society."

The first event of the series is the Race Card Project, which will take place at

"Exactly what the status of these Africans was when they came to colonies was not clear at all. (The multimedia display) talks about that issue, where these people came from, the horrific experiences that they had especially during the middle passage and then how they come into a situation where who they are and where they fit in, in the society, isn't defined," Smith said.

The second round of events will take place Sept. 10 in the Doudha Concourse and Tarble Arts Center and include workshops and presentations on radical imagination and radical forgiveness, presented and facilitated by Amber Johnson of Saint Louis University and the Justice Fleet.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Mental health is a student's top priority

In college, it is expected of students to put forth their full effort into schoolwork.

Many students are good about doing this, and they strive to get the best grades possible, but sometimes they work themselves too hard and the aftermath is not good at all.

We at *The Daily Eastern News* strongly encourage students to make their mental health a priority above anything else.

We appreciate the hard work that students put into their education, but every year we see students who stress themselves too much, and they cannot handle school anymore.

Many of us want to graduate by a specific time, but unfortunately life does not always work in our favor.

If you feel that one of your classes you are taking is just simply too much, it never hurts to drop it.

Sure, you may get stuck paying for the class still and it may lower your GPA, but you have to do what keeps you in a good position and what makes you healthy.

Several students struggle at coping with living away from home, and they get homesick very easily.

It never hurts for students to travel back home during the weekends.

College is important, and it is something that we at *The Daily Eastern News* enjoy seeing students do well in, but what we do not like to see is students failing and dropping out of college for good because it becomes too stressful and too much of a burden on them.

Make sure to take time for yourself. We all need breaks from time to time.

We also encourage students to take advantage of Health and Counseling Services on campus.

Several students who have struggled in the past visited the center and got the help they needed.

It never hurts to talk to someone about what you are dealing with instead of letting it all build up inside of you.

Getting a tutor is another way to help yourself and ease the stress you are facing with school.

There is nothing wrong with making your health the most important priority.

Selfishness is not exactly the best quality of a person, but sometimes you have to be selfish in order to help yourself in life.

Do not let yourself get to the point where you cannot handle school anymore.

Tackle the problem as soon as it comes, and prevent yourself from becoming a ticking time bomb that explodes from the pressure and stress of your life at Eastern.

In life, we have to take things one day at a time, otherwise we will go completely insane.

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

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Numbingly negligent, noisy neighbors



ZACH BERGER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Remember Dorian, not just a day off

Labor Day is a day to remember and celebrate laborers in the country and thank them for the hard work they put in day-to-day.

While it is necessary to commemorate those who are the backbone of our country, another Labor Day happening deserves our attention right now and even over the course of the next days, probably weeks.

Hurricane Dorian was upgraded to a category 5 hurricane early Sunday morning, and shortly after, it made landfall in the Bahamas.

Some even called it the strongest modern hurricane to hit the Bahamas.

As reported by *The New York Times* Monday, at least five were reported dead in the Bahamas, though, as many have reported, the storm has been downgraded to a category 4.

Despite the downgrade, which is definitely better than staying a category 5, it is important to keep in mind that people have already died, while others have had their homes destroyed.

Not only is the hurricane a relevant thing to remember because it is happening, but the eerie part is the last time a hurricane like Dorian struck: Labor Day, 1935.

CNN reported Aug. 29 that Dorian is very similar to the "Labor Day Storm," which hit



DILLAN SCHORFHEIDE

south Florida Sept. 2 in 1935.

The storm had peak winds of 200 mph and left more than 408 people dead.

The *Associated Press* reported that Dorian tied the Labor Day storm as the most powerful hurricane to ever come ashore in the Bahamas.

CBS reported Monday that Dorian was stationary in the Atlantic Ocean, but that it will creep toward Florida, possibly even sparing the state from a direct hit.

Now, Georgia and South Carolina are issuing warnings and ordering evacuations for its ocean borders because the hurricane is expect-

ed to travel north toward their coasts.

Though our expectations for the possible destruction Dorian may lay upon wherever it hits are lowered, since it was downgraded a category 4, it would be ignorant to think we should care any less.

The truth is that the amount of concern for those impacted should not be any different, and we cannot blissfully celebrate a day off work while not mentioning those who now have no days off from putting their lives back together.

No one can say, either, that since the current body count is five, it does not warrant that much concern or worry.

If states are asking their residents to evacuate, there is reason for concern.

So, when thinking about Labor Day, remember what it is meant to commemorate, but also remember that the Bahamas is not celebrating.

In fact, they are dreading having to rebuild after a hurricane hit them that resembled one that hit them exactly 84 years ago on Labor Day.

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Biking on campus is a game of chance

The first couple weeks of school have not been all sunshine. Students have had to walk through the pouring rain or scorching heat to make it to class.

Fortunately for me, I ride my bicycle around campus. This helps me get to my classes faster on the hotter days and out of the rain faster on rainy days. It also allows for me to have a nice breeze on humid days.

The only downside to riding a bike on campus are the times when it seems like everyone on campus is trying to go to the same place you are. Riding a bike in a crowd of people is a test of patience and skill.

The test of patience comes in when the people in front of you are going slow, taking up the whole sidewalk and won't get over for you to pass. I like to think of a sidewalk just like a road. Which means that if the left lane is open, then I can pass the people in front of me.

In cases where this does not happen, my



KARENA OZIER

skill is tested as a bike rider. I am tested on how slow my bike can actually go without me falling over and how close I can get to people without running them over or side swiping them (which thankfully has not happened).

I have been riding a bike since I was little, but riding a bike on campus is a different environment than out in the country with wide open space.

While bikers and walkers take each day as it comes without fully understanding each other, I think that if all campuses offered informational bike classes, then it might make everyone's time on sidewalks a little less stressful.

Trying to predict how a walker will react when I inform them that I am about to pass them can be nerve-wracking. It also does not help when they have headphones on and cannot hear me anyway. This brings up the possibility that I will startle the person (which has happened).

Biking on campus has its perks, but it can be improved by allowing all bikers and walkers to get informed of the rules of the sidewalk. Let's avoid the game of chance and start riding and walking informed.

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» CHRIS MILLER
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Kernas said he was not aware of any of Miller's activity as a representative but wished him well.

"I just hope he's successful in whatever he tries to do," Kernas said.

Paul Daily, of Mattoon, who is a member of the Coles County board, said he came to the event to continue his support for Miller.

"I got a fundraiser letter from Chris and I've supported him in the past, so I came out today again," Daily said.

Daily said he supported Miller because they share common ground.

"He's a conservative and I'm a conservative; he's a farmer, I'm a farmer, so we share a lot of the same goals and background," Daily said.

Daily said he hopes that Miller continues to represent his district as he has in the past year.

Miller said he is looking forward to finishing his term and hopes to be re-elected so he can continue to represent the people of his district who share similar values with him.

"There are so many wonderful people up and down the 110th district and that's been the most enjoyable part of the job is just meeting them and trying to represent their values which has been pretty easy because they're typically country folks with country values so it's kind of been an easy fit for us," Miller said.

Miller said the hardest part of being a representative for him is when legislation is passed that he does not agree with from a moral standpoint.

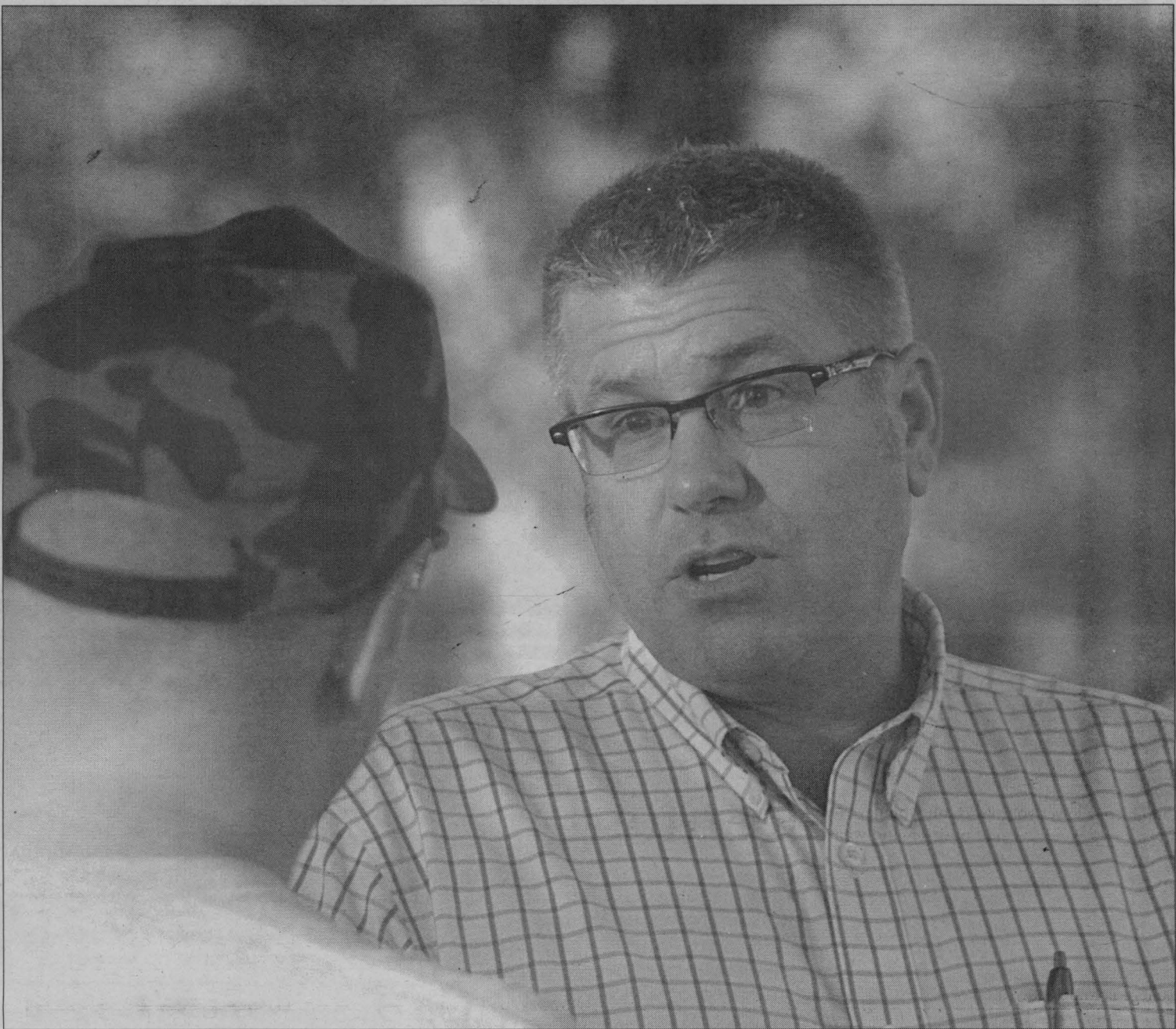
"When things get done that violate your conscience and when you're listening to some of the debates on the floor and you're sitting there thinking, 'Are we really having this conversation?'" Miller said.

Miller said another difficult part of the job is debating with his fellow representatives.

"I mean these are ideas that we are having conversations about," he said. "There isn't any reason to get offended about it; we're just having lively dialogue about the issues, but it seems like people take it personally sometimes if you disagree with them."

For the full story, please visit www.dailyeasternnews.com.

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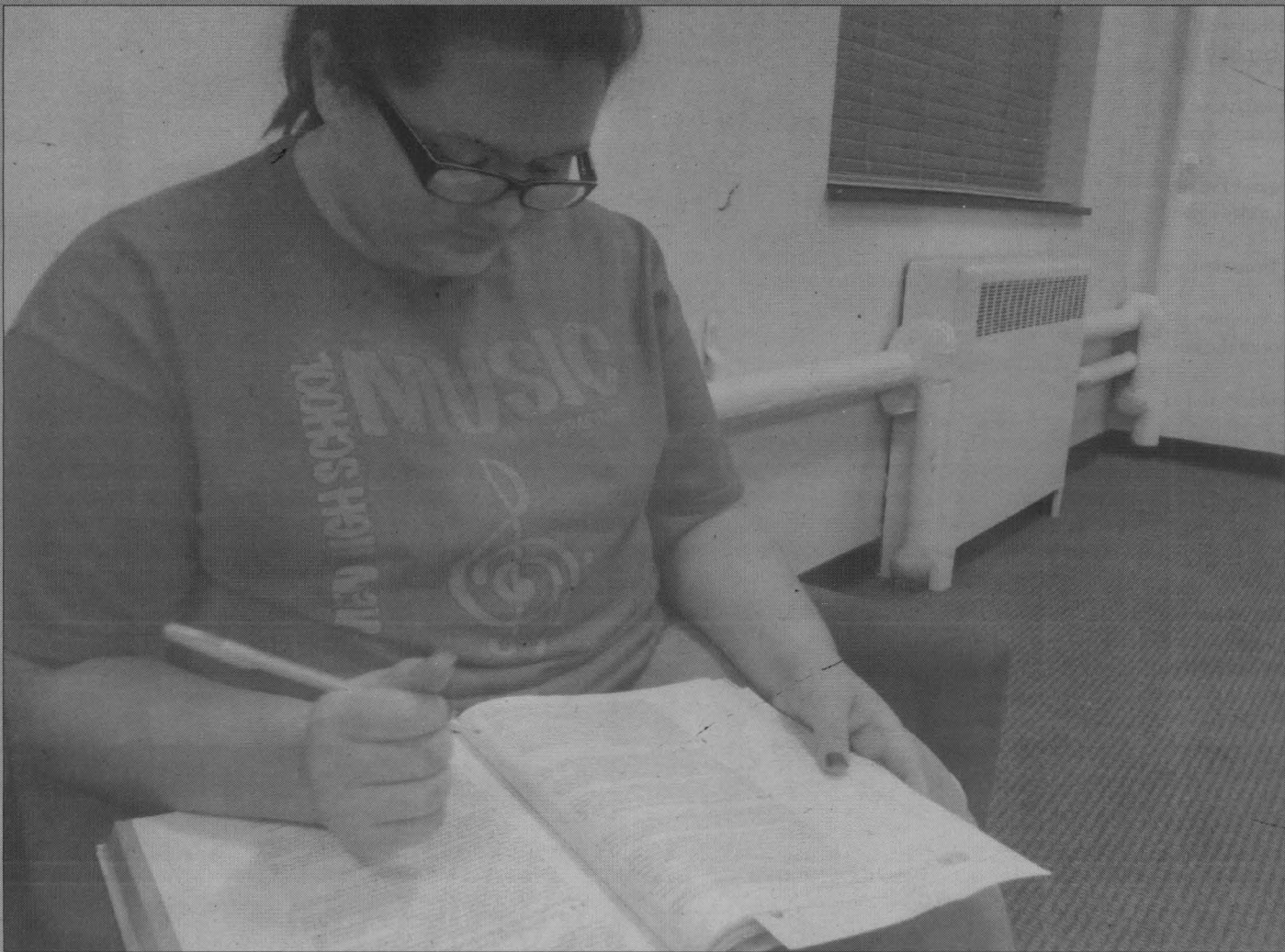
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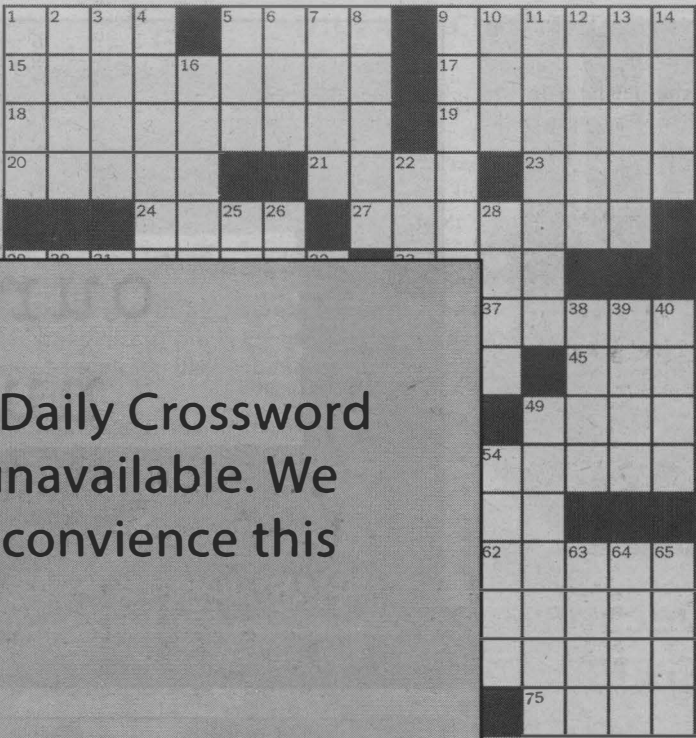
ELIZABETH WOOD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Hope Porter, a sophomore special education major, studies in the basement of Pemberton Hall Monday night. She said she had a relaxing weekend, and her stepmom was able to come up from Tennessee to visit. She added that she was able to get her stepmom to try Freddie's Custard for the first time in Mattoon.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0319

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1 Places for baseball team insignia
5 Weaver's device
9 Rigged
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18 Simple, simple, simple [1,2,3]
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27 Prefight ritual [7,8,9]
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33 Hightail it away
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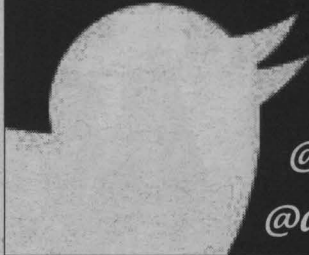
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Panthers lose second match, start season 0-2

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Once head coach Jake Plant had processed what was a scoreless 6-0 loss to Ball State, he avowed that the occasion demonstrated a need for reflection as the season got underway.

Between then and now, Plant watched the Eastern women's soccer team pivot from the defeat with a mindset he considers to be conducive to winning matches, even if this newfound spirit could not be reflected in the outcome of a 2-1 loss to Kansas City on Aug. 30.

"They have led with their playing identity and cultural identity since (that loss to Ball State)," Eastern head coach Jake Plant said. "They will have a great year if they continue to lead themselves in this way."

Eastern's identity as a defensive power last season with seniors Kate Olson and Kayla Stolf, mainstays for Eastern on that end over their tenure in the program, gave Eastern enough armor to weather the blows of the occasional scoring draught or forced error.

The iteration of the Panther defense that came out this weekend pleased the second-year coach, indicative of a team with the potential to resemble their former selves.

"If you watch the game, you would see that the majority of shots were taken from 30 yards out where Sara simply picked up the ball," Plant said. "It was a good defensive performance from the team that limited a very good Kansas City team to very few actual chances to score."

The Panther defense collided with turbulence less than 10 minutes into the match, when, off an Eastern turnover just outside the penalty box, sophomore Rylan Childers found the bottom left corner.

Senior Carly Janike's goal to open the second half ensured Kansas City of the victory, and the result delivered the Roos' best record through three matches since the program's inaugural season.

The insurgence of Eastern freshman Nicoletta Anuci as a bona



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Redshirt sophomore Niondina Nystrom dribbles the ball by a defender in Eastern's 1-1 tie against Northern Illinois on Aug. 16th at Lakeside Field.

fide sharp shooter looked to be on full display, contributing what had been her first regular season goal at the collegiate level and the only point for the Panthers through two matches.

Anuci steered the ball into the top right corner of the net later in the second half, but her break away could not compensate for a first half that

yielded zero goals.

"Right now she is willing to learn what we need her to do from a team aspect without taking away from where she is individually, very good," Plant said.

Such a feat created a diversion from empty scoring runs and a costly turnover, which set up Childers'

early goal, that typified play before halftime.

Kansas City deterred the opposing attack and did not surrender a single shot on goal in the first half to the Panthers, who were kept to just 5 percent possession in the attacking zone for 90 minutes of soccer.

Upgrading its record to 3-0,

Kansas City head coach Chris Cissell invigorated the attack with his rotation modifications throughout the match, reaching rather deep into his collection of re-serves.

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Eastern volleyball loses 3 to start season

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The Eastern volleyball team opened its season in the EIU Panther Invitational, and despite a number of close sets in each match, the Panthers came out of the invitational with an 0-3 start to the season.

Eastern won the first set of its season on Friday against South Dakota State, beating the Jackrabbits 25-18. The next set went to South Dakota State by a score of 25-15.

The next two sets were back-and-forth affairs from the first serve.

Sets three and four featured a combined 19 ties and nine lead changes. The Panthers could never pull ahead for long, and the Jackrabbits outlasted them to win both sets.

Eastern head coach Julie Allen was pleased with her team's performance, although they did not pick up the win.

"I thought it was a great battle. We fought for every point," Allen said. "I couldn't have asked for a better battle for a first match from a young team, getting in there and being aggressive the whole time."

Katie Sommer led the Panthers with a career-high 20 points on 19 kills in the match, and freshman Ireland Hieb finished third on the team with 7.5 points in her first collegiate match.

"There was a lot of nerves," Hieb said, "but the team definitely helped me through it."

Hieb said that, though she of course would have liked to pick



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Eastern freshman Ireland Hieb prepares to receive a serve against Drake on Aug. 31 in the EIU Panther Invitational. Hieb led the Panthers with 35.5 points in the invitational.

up a win, she was happy with her performance overall.

"I think I did a good job encouraging and being loud with the girls, and just being the outlet to get kills and be that reliable source," she said.

Hieb also had 7.5 points in the Panthers' match against Memphis Saturday morning, which was the only match in which Eastern did not win a set.

It was also the final match of the

invitational for the Tigers who headed back to Tennessee with a perfect start to the season, having beaten Drake and South Dakota State Friday afternoon.

Memphis finished in last place in the American Athletic Conference last season. Head coach Sean Burdette, now in his second season with the Tigers, credited the work the team put in since last year for their fast start.

"I think it all stems back to last

winter and our offseason, and how hard our players worked," he said.

The Panthers took the court against Drake Saturday evening for the final match of the invitational.

Much like the match against South Dakota State, the Panthers won the first set with relative ease before losing the second set.

The similarities to the first match did not end there, as the third and fourth sets proved to be even closer than on Friday.

The third set was tied 13 times and had five lead changes before Drake pulled ahead to win by three. The fourth set was closer still, being tied 14 times and featuring six lead changes.

The set was tied at 25 before back-to-back Eastern errors gave Drake the win.

Allen said that the errors are going to come with the aggressive style of play the Panthers have adopted.

"Because we're playing hard and aggressively, we're going to make a few errors, but we're going to make amazing plays," Allen said.

She said the team has to be better at picking their moments.

Hieb continued to play well, scoring 20.5 points against Drake, the most points for any Panther player in the invitational. Her 35.5 total points also led the team.

Laurel Bailey, the Panthers' leading scorer last season, had the second-most points with 32.

Senior Maggie Runge had 31 points and led the team with six blocks. Sommer followed up her 20-point performance on Friday by contributing 9.5 points in Saturday's matches to finish fourth on the team.

The Panthers will continue their season on the road on Friday and Saturday in the Central Michigan Chippewa Invitational. They will play Central Michigan, Illinois-Chicago and North Dakota State.

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Men's soccer starts season with 2 road losses

By Blake Faith

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The men's soccer team went 0-2 this weekend in its first two games of the season, losing the season-opener 3-1 to Evansville and losing 3-0 to Xavier on Monday.

Against Evansville Aug. 30, Eastern started the game down 1-0 before halftime. In the last three minutes of the first half, goalkeeper Jonathan Burke made a diving save that ended up on Sportscenter's top 10 plays of the day Saturday.

Burke did not expect to make ESPN, but it definitely is something he will remember for the rest of his life.

"When I woke up a lot of my friends and family had been texting me, so I woke up to a lot of texts and calls," Burke said. "It is nice to see that EIU logo on ESPN giving our great school some recognition."

In the second half, Evansville took a 2-0 lead when J. Lacey-Stafford stepped up and scored a penalty kick, just squeezing the ball under Burke's outstretched hands.

The Panthers would answer in the 76th minute, when senior Alex Casteneda scored a breakaway goal after two Evansville defenders committed a lazy pass that led to a steal. His goal brought the Panthers to within one goal.

Eastern would get another chance with less than a minute left, when the Panthers got a corner kick where Burke was needed to come up to help. Evansville won the ball off the



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Shady Omar tries to retrieve the ball out of midair as a defender grabs him during the Eastern men's soccer team's 2-1 loss to Valparaiso in October 2018 at Lakeside Field.

corner and had an easy break without Burke in net to score its third goal.

Burke finished with four saves against Evansville. The Panther offense combined for six shots, but only two were on goal.

"I think the Evansville game wasn't as bad as the score line showed," Burke said. "There were truly some great moments in that game with the defense and its connection with the rest of the

team."

Going into Monday's game, Xavier goalkeeper Matthew Rosenberg was named the Big East Goalkeeper of the Week.

Rosenberg helped the Musketeers get a 2-0 win against Akron, who was ranked No. 3 in the NCAA preseason rankings.

The Panthers did not allow a goal until the 40th minute when Xu Boe-Tangen touched a goal past Burke on a one-on-one

opportunity. Burke had two saves in the first half.

Eastern's offense had zero shots in the first half compared to Xavier's six.

In the second half Eastern allowed five corners and two shots within the first five minutes of the half. Eastern recorded two shots in the second half but only one on goal.

Xavier finished the game with 18 shots, six of them on goal. In the second half Xavier scored two goals to make the final score 3-0.

In both games Evansville and Xavier controlled the ball more than Eastern did.

Because both teams held the ball so much Eastern's defense faced constant pressure.

Burke finished the game with three saves against Xavier. In both games Edgar Mesa was the only veteran player for the defense. Freshmen Delphy Sabu and Quinn Rechner both received their first two starts to begin the season with Mesa.

"We know Edgar is one of the best in the country at his position, but it was nice to see what the new guys did," Burke said after the Evansville loss. "Quinn and Delph showed that they can play at this level and I am excited to see what big things they will do this year."

The men's soccer team will play next against Ohio State Sunday at 4 p.m.

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Shots per game

Eastern vs. Evansville

Eastern - 5 shots (Two on goal)

Evansville - 11 shots (Seven on goal)

Eastern vs. Xavier

Eastern - 2 shots (One on goal)

Xavier - 18 shots (Six on goal)

Saves per game

Eastern vs. Evansville

Eastern - 4 saves

Evansville - 1 save

Eastern vs. Xavier

Eastern - 3 saves

Xavier - 1 save